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Application No. : 09/938,947 Confirmation No.: 2655
Applicant : WOUDENBERG et al.
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Mail Stop Amendment
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed March 16, 2004, the period of time for response to which has been extended to July 16, 2004, with the attached Petition for One-Month Extension of Time and requisite fee.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 19 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.